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SUBJECT: JORDAN MFA REQUESTS INFORMATION ON 10 MORE
JORDANIANS CLAIMED TO BE DETAINED IN IRAQ

REF: A. AMMAN 3230

[B](#). AMMAN 3486

[C](#). BAGHDAD 386 (NO CPA MESSAGE NUMBER PROVIDED)

[D](#). NICOLAIDIS/HALE E-MAIL MAY 10 2004

[E](#). AMMAN 3822

Classified By: Ambassador Edward Gnehm for reasons 1.5(b), (d)

[1](#). (U) This is an action request for CPA, CENTCOM, and
CJTF-7. See para 4 below.

JORDANIANS IN CUSTODY IN IRAQ

[2](#). (C) The GOJ believes that as many as 38 Jordanians may be in coalition custody, 10 to 15 of which may be incorrectly identified as Iraqi nationals. On May 11, Embassy Amman received an official request from the Jordan MFA for information on the current status of 19 Jordanians who the GOJ believes are in coalition custody (Ref E). On May 19, Embassy Amman received a second official request from the Jordan MFA for information on an additional 10 Jordanians, bringing the total number of possible Jordanian detainees to [29](#). The MFA says that it will provide further names as they are made aware of any of them. The second list of 10 names is enclosed below in the following format: Detainee No., name, DOB, mother's name, location.

unknown, Hisham Mahmoud Abdul Rahman Abu Saleh, 01/01/1945,
Amneh Abdul Aziz, Al-Tasfeerat

unknown, Nour Hisham Mahmoud Abu Saleh, 01/09/1974, Hamdiyyeh
Abdullah, Al-Tasfeerat

unknown, Mohammad Hisham Mahmoud Abu Saleh, 01/23/1978,
Mahdiyyeh Abdullah, Al-Tasfeerat

unknown, Adli Hisham Mahmoud Abu Saleh, 07/12/1982, Mahdiyyeh
Abdullah, Al-Tasfeerat

unknown, Ammar Mohammad Abdul Fattah Al-Awad, 06/27/1983,
Laila Shirzad, Al-Tasfeerat

unknown, Tareq Rizq Younes Al-Hajj, 01/13/1979, Dalal
Hussein, Al-Tasfeerat

unknown, Ali Turki Khalaf Al-Shammari, unknown, Dahdiyyeh, Abu
Ghreib

unknown, Mohammad Abdul Rahim Rashed, Al-Ramtha, Sa'dah,
Al-Rasafah

unknown, Mousa Hassan Mohammad Al-Theyabat, unknown, Zainah,
unknown

unknown, Mustafa Eqab Abu Rumman, unknown, unknown

[3](#). (C) Post appreciates the CPA's May 10 list of 10 Jordanians in coalition custody (Ref D). In the first Jordanian request (Ref E), there was an overlap of seven names. However, not all seven had the same biographic data. In this second list, there are no overlapping names.

[4](#). (C) In light of the recent Abu Ghreib abuse story and unsubstantiated and exaggerated parliamentary allegations that 1,000 Jordanians remain in coalition custody (still widely believed), post would appreciate any details confirming coalition detention of any of the 29 individuals from the two lists, their current welfare and reason for detention.

[5](#). (C) PolCouns discussed Jordanian prisoners in Iraq May 20 with Basheer Zoubi, Deputy Director of PonMin Muasher's private office and MFA Iraq action officer. Zoubi asked that CPA attempt to find the persons mentioned on the two Jordanian lists, saying that the GOJ had verified all of the name as Jordanian citizens through the Interior Ministry's "family book" registration system (which, unlike issuance of a Jordanian passport, connotes full Jordanian citizenship). Zoubi repeated an earlier request that the U.S. and Coalition try to identify those Jordanians in Coalition custody and

release as many as possible before the June 30 transfer of sovereignty. "We don't want our people in the hands of the Iraqis."

16. (U) Baghdad minimize considered.

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